

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Ripley, et al.	Group Art Unit: 2166
Application No.: 10/618,840	Examiner: Joon H. Hwang
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Title: Remote Scoring and Aggregating Similarity Search Engine for Use with Relational Databases	

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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Introductory Comments

Enclosed with this Office Action Response is a Petition for Revival of an Application for Patent Abandoned Unintentionally Under 37 CFR 1.137(b) and a fee under 37 CFR 1.17(m).

Please enter the following claim amendments in response to the Office Action received from the Office having a mail date of March 29, 2007. In that correspondence, the Office has rejected claims 1-52 on the ground of nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-33 of U.S. Patent No. 6,829,606, and rejected claims 1-3, 7-11, 21-35, 37, and 46-52 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) for being anticipated by Wheeler et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,738,759).

Applicants have included a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CR 1.131(c) and a Declaration of Common Ownership in Appendix A, in addition to a fee set forth in 37 CFR 1.20(d) to overcome the rejection based on nonstatutory double patenting. Applicants have also amended the claims to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §

102(e) presented by the Office. Applicants contend that, based on the following amendments and discussion, there are patentably distinguishable claimed features between the invention represented by these claims and the cited reference disclosure of Wheeler et al.

Entering of the following amendments, reconsideration and reexamination of the application are requested. Support for all amendments is found within the specification. No new matter has been entered as a result of these amendments.